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Advisory Action / Response to Arguments after Final

Applicant's arguments filed on 5/4/2009 after Final Office Action regarding Claims 1(a), 1(d), 8(b) and 8(d) have been fully considered. Response to Applicant's Arguments related to Claims 1(a) and 8(b) have been addressed to in the Final Office Action mailed on 3/16/2009.

That is, Regarding Claims 1 (a), and 8 (b), the Applicant argues that Riddle does not disclose or suggest about a funnel network element linking first and second physical networks. The applicant also argues that Riddle does disclose this kind of element in the codec selection process and any storage of information.

In reply, Riddle does disclose about a funnel network element linking first and second physical networks. (Column 7, lines 42-46, Column 8, lines 45-47). Here, a funnel network element which is common to linking first and second network is the **codec ranking** which was selected. Riddle further teaches that the codec selected is used for linking communications between sender and receiver computer. (Column 9, lines 23-29). This means that the information **stored** related to codec allows communication to be linked between the first and the second networks.

Regarding Claims 1 (d) and 8 (d), the applicant argues that Garakani does not teach codec selection depending upon whether an answer to said address detection message includes the address of the funnel network element.

In reply, Garakani's teachings alone were never relied upon selecting a codec. **Riddle and Garakani combined together teach the above limitation**. Riddle teaches selecting a codec (i.e. exchange of decompressors) depending upon (i.e. occurs when) whether an answer (i.e. a reply or exchange of information) includes an address of a funnel network clement . Riddle's teachings on Column 9, lines 2-9, disclose selecting a codec, i.e. exchange of decompressors, based on ranking (Riddle's teachings on Column 9, lines 23-29, Figure 5, step 512), whether an answer (i.e. a reply or exchange of information – Column 6, lines 49-67, Column 7, lines 54-67 continued on Column 8 lines 1-2. Here, Riddle teaches a reply or exchange of information occurs during the initiation of the teleconference or upon a new processor joining the teleconference. Also, Riddle's teachings on Column 12 lines 64-67 indicate that the computer program code "DeConferenceEvent" detects of a new processor signing on or joining the teleconference); includes an address of a funnel network element (Riddle's teachings on Column 9, lines 2-6 and lines 23-25. This shows the address of the recipients).

Garakani teaches an address detection message. (Garakani's teachings on Column 1, lines 42-44 and lines 49-53. Here, the traceroute program detects the address

when a message is sent in the form of data packets to the recipient which is the endpoint device).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CLARENCE JOHN whose telephone number is (571)270-5937. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Fri 8:00 am to 5 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ms. Tonia Dollinger can be reached on 571-272-4170. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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